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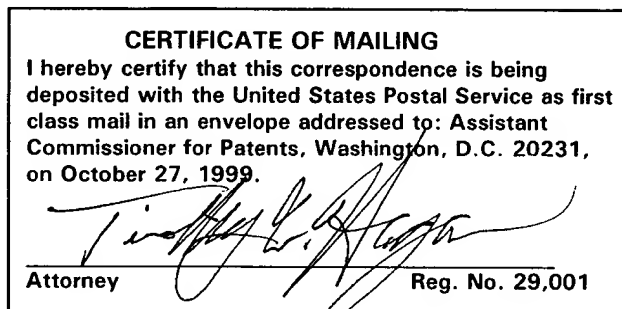
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of

Applicants : David R. Hembree, Salman Akram, and Derek Gochnour  
Serial No. : 09/026,080  
Filed : February 19, 1998  
Title : A SPRING ELEMENT FOR USE IN AN APPARATUS FOR ATTACHING  
TO A SEMICONDUCTOR AND A METHOD OF ATTACHING  
Docket : MIO 020 IA (97-0198.01)  
Examiner : R. Potter  
Art Unit : 2822

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:



RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

This paper is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed October 1, 1999. In that paper, the Examiner required restriction between two inventions identified by the Examiner as Group I - claims 1-28 and 72 (spring element) and Group II - claims 29-68 and 73 (apparatus for attaching). Applicants believe that the Examiner probably also meant to include claims 69-71 in the latter Group. Applicants hereby elect the claims of Group I, claims 1-28 and 72 for prosecution on the merits.

Respectfully submitted,

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